

# ALMIS Common Intake System

The ALMIS (America's Labor Market Information System) Common Intake System (**ACIS**) is designed to be a single entry point into the One-Stop Career Center System. It has been developed by a consortium of states, with Iowa as the technical lead. Accessible initially via a local office and, in a later release, via the Internet or State Intranet, the **ACIS** provides the framework for collaborative information gathering across programs and across states.

Based on an integrated ALMIS Data Dictionary, developed by the consortium, the **ACIS** eliminates the requirement to focus on specific program data elements by taking a holistic approach to information gathering focused on the customer. Common Intake concentrates on limited, sufficient data required to satisfy service delivery requirements, not fragmented program requirements. Readily modifiable for state-specific purposes, the system supports the data intensive reporting requirements of today while designed and built for the customer service-oriented computing environment required for tomorrow.

The **ACIS**'s primary database features sections for Basic,

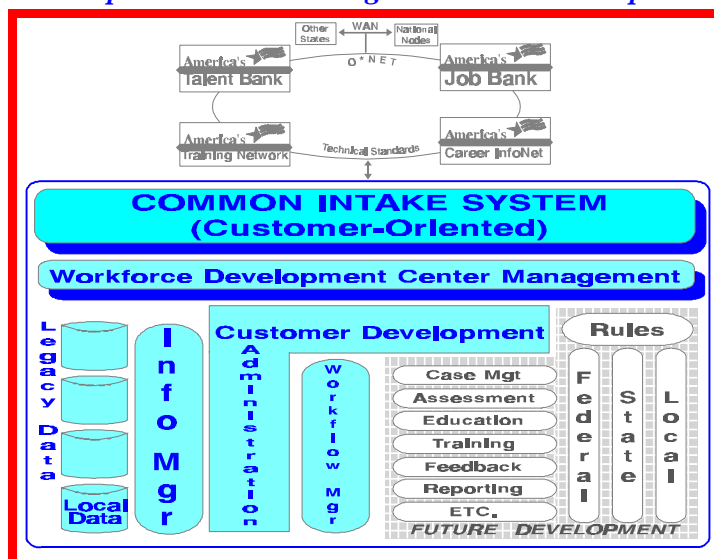
Employment, Training and Insurance Intake. Only those sections appropriate to the customer's need or interest shall be completed. Other key databases include a Local Services Index, a Limited Services Log, and a virtual Waiting List designed and integrated with the office's unique flow. The **ACIS** will begin piloting the production version in June in Iowa, in July in Minnesota and North Carolina, and in September in Connecticut. It will be available for distribution to all states by Fall, 1997.

## Technical Requirements

The system currently requires Lotus Notes Release 4.5 installed on the desktop and server. When the self-registration component and the direct **ATB** link is established, it may be accessed using any Internet browser. The recommended desktop system is: Pentium, 133+ MHz, 16+ MB RAM, 1+ GB HDD, running Windows NT or Windows 95. The recommended server is either a Unix or Intel-based system. A state-compatible middleware product will also be required to integrate data from a mainframe system.

The Common Intake web site will shortly be updated to include information on steps a state can take now in preparation for installing the **ACIS**, including training, technical documentation, etc.

<http://www.state.ia.us/government/wd/wddpo>



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